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1. (Amended) A method for transmitting a BFDM/OM biorthogonal multicarrier signal characterized in that it implements a transmultiplexer structure providing:

a modulation step, by means of a bank of synthesis filters, having  $2M$  parallel branches,  $M \geq 2$ , each fed by source data and each comprising an expander of order  $M$  and filtering means;

a demodulation step, by means of a bank of analysis filters, having  $2M$  parallel branches, each comprising a decimator of order  $M$  and filtering means, and delivering representative data received from said source data,

said filtering means being derived from a predetermined prototype modulation function.

2. The transmission method according to claim 1, characterized in that said filtering means of said bank of synthesis filters and/or of said bank of analysis filters are grouped as a polyphase matrix, respectively.

3. (Amended) The transmission method according to claim 2, characterized in that at least one of said polyphase matrices comprises a reverse Fourier transform with  $2M$  inputs and  $2M$  outputs.

4. (Amended) The modulating method according to claim 12, characterized in that it implements a reverse Fourier transform fed by  $2M$  source data, each having undergone a predetermined phase shift, and feeding  $2M$  filtering modules, each followed by an expander of order  $M$ , the outputs of which are grouped then transmitted.

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5. The modulation method according to claim 4, characterized in that it delivers data  $s[k]$  such as:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_m^0(n) &= a_{m,\alpha} e^{j\frac{2\pi}{M}n\alpha} \\
 x_l^1(n) &= \sqrt{2} \sum_{k=0}^{2M-1} x_k^0(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{2M} \frac{D-M}{2} n} e^{j\frac{2\pi}{2M} n} \\
 &= 2M \sqrt{2} \text{IFFT} \left( x_0^0(n), \dots, x_{2M-1}^0(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{2M} (2M-1) \frac{D-M}{2} n} \right) \\
 x_l^2(n) &= \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} p(l+2kM) x_l^1(n-2k) \\
 s[k] &= \sum_{n=\left[\frac{k}{M}\right]-1}^{\left[\frac{k}{M}\right]} x_{l-nM}^2(n)
 \end{aligned}$$

with  $\alpha$  an integer representing the reconstruction delay;

$\beta$  an integer between 0 and  $M-1$ ;

and  $[.]$  is the "integral part" function.

6. (Amended) The demodulating method according to claim 15, characterized in that it implements a reverse Fourier transform fed by  $2M$  branches, themselves fed by said transmitted signal, and each comprising a decimator of order  $M$  followed by a filtering module, and feeding  $2M$  phase shift multipliers, delivering an estimation of the source data.

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7. The demodulation method according to claim 6, characterized in that it delivers data  $\hat{a}_{m,n=\alpha}$  such that:

$$\hat{x}_i^2(n-\alpha) = s[nM - \beta - l]$$

$$\hat{x}_i^1(n-\alpha) = \sum_{l=0}^{Q-1} p(l+2kM) \hat{x}_i^2(n-\alpha-2k)$$

$$\hat{x}_i^0(n-\alpha) = \sqrt{2} e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{2M} \frac{D+M}{2} \sum_{l=0}^{2M-1} \hat{x}_i^1(n-\alpha) e^{j \frac{2\pi}{2M} l}}$$

$$= 2M \sqrt{2} e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{2M} \frac{D+M}{2}} \text{IFFT}(\hat{x}_i^1(n-\alpha), \dots, \hat{x}_{2M-1}^1(n-\alpha))$$

$$\hat{a}_{m,n=\alpha} = \Re \left\{ e^{-j \frac{\pi}{2} (n-\alpha)} \hat{x}_i^0(n-\alpha) \right\}$$

with:  $D = 2 \cdot s \cdot M + d$ ,

wherein:  $s$  is an integer;

$d$  is between 0 and  $2M-1$ .

8. (Amended) The demodulation method according to claim 15, characterized in that said filtering modules are produced as one of the filters belonging to the group comprising:

transverse structure filters;  
ladder structure filters; and  
trellis structure filters.

9. (Amended) The modulation method according to claim 15, characterized in that said orthogonal multicarrier signal is a OFDM/OM signal.

10 (canceled)

11. (New) The method according to claim 1, characterized in that said orthogonal multicarrier signal is an OFDM/OM signal.

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12.(New) The method for modulating a BFDM/OM biorthogonal multicarrier signal, characterized in that it implements a bank of synthesis filters having  $2M$  parallel branches,  $M \geq 2$ , each fed by source data and each comprising an expander of order  $M$  and filtering means, said filtering means being derived from a predetermined prototype modulation function.

13.(New) The modulation method according to claim 12, characterized in that said filtering modules are produced as one of the filters belonging to the group comprising:

- transverse structure filters;
- ladder structure filters; and
- trellis structure filters.

14.(New) The method according to claim 12, characterized in that said orthogonal multicarrier signal is an OFDM/OM signal.

15.(New) A method for demodulating a BFDM/OM biorthogonal multicarrier signal characterized in that it implements a bank of analysis filters having  $2M$  parallel branches, each comprising an expander of order  $M$  and filtering means, and delivering representative data received from source data, said filtering means being derived from a predetermined prototype modulation function.

16.(New) Apparatus comprising:

- a modulating device for modulating a BFDM/OM biorthogonal multicarrier signal, characterized by a bank of synthesis filters having  $2M$  parallel branches,  $M \geq 2$ , each fed by source data and each comprising an expander of order  $M$  and filtering means, said filtering means being derived from a predetermined prototype modulation function.

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17. (New) The apparatus according to claim 16, wherein the modulating device is further characterized in that it implements a reverse Fourier transform fed by  $2M$  source data, each having undergone a predetermined phase shift, and feeding  $2M$  filtering modules, each following by an expander of order  $M$ , the outputs of which are grouped then transmitted.

18. (New) The apparatus according to claim 16, further including a demodulation device for demodulating a BFDM/OM orthogonal multicarrier signal characterized by:

a bank of analysis filters having  $2M$  parallel branches, each comprising an expander of order  $M$  and filtering means, and delivering representative data received from source data, said filtering means being derived from a predetermined prototype modulation function.

19. (New) The apparatus according to claim 20, wherein the demodulating device is further characterized in that it implements a reverse Fourier transform fed by  $2M$  branches, themselves fed by said transmitted signal, and each comprising a decimator of order  $M$  followed by a filtering module, and feeding  $2M$  phase shift multipliers, delivering an estimation of the source data.

20. (New) A demodulation device for demodulation a BFDM/OM biorthogonal multicarrier signal characterized by:

a bank of analysis filters having  $2M$  parallel branches, each comprising an expander of order  $M$  and filtering means, and delivering representative data received from source data, said filtering means being derived from a predetermined prototype modulation function.

21. (New) The demodulation device according to claim 20, further characterized in that it implements a reverse Fourier transform fed by  $2M$  branches, themselves fed by said transmitted signal, and each comprising a decimator of order  $M$  followed by a filtering module, and feeding  $2M$  phase shift multipliers, delivering an estimation of the source data.